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Report of cholera occurring in provincial towns in the Philippine Islands for the three weeks ended March 5, 1904.

Place.	Province.	Cases.	Deaths.
Talisay	Island of Cebu.....	1	1
Catmondo	16	12
Alegriado	6	5
Calibo	Island of Panay, Province of Capiz	9	2
Total	32	20

PORTO RICO.

Report from San Juan—Quarantine transactions, month of March, 1904—Smallpox—Vital statistics.

Chief Quarantine Officer King reports, April 11, as follows:

Quarantine transactions at San Juan and the six subports during the month of March, 1904.

SAN JUAN.

Vessels inspected	24
Bills of health issued to outgoing vessels	27
Vessels detained in quarantine	3
Vessels disinfected	0
Pieces of baggage disinfected	152
Persons detained at the Miraflores station for quarantine observation.....	10

These passengers arrived on the Red D Line steamship *Philadelphia* from ports of Venezuela on March 9, and on the Spanish steamer *Montserrat* from Central American ports, Colon, Caracas, La Guayra, and Colombian ports on March 22, 7 from the former steamer and 3 third-class passengers from the latter. All of the passengers were held to complete the 5 day period from the time of transfer from the steamer at San Juan. These vessels, as well as the Red D Line steamer *Caracas*, also from Venezuelan ports, were held in quarantine during the time they were in port and permitted to transact their business under guard.

The pieces of baggage disinfected were the hammocks and clothing "kits" of the apprentice boys from the training ship *Monongahela*, who were detained in camp at the naval station on account of the outbreak of diphtheria aboard of that vessel. The naval authorities requested us to disinfect all of their belongings before they were transferred back to the ship. The boys were to be transferred in batches of twenty-five each day, if on examination their throats showed no infection, and the request was that the clothing of that number be disinfected daily, which was done.

The following is a summary of the transactions at the subports:

Vessels inspected at Mayaguez 7, at Arecibo 2, at Humacao 4, at Aguadilla 2, at Fajardo 4, and at Arroyo 1.

The mortality reports for the month at the subports are as follows:

Mayaguez 128, Arecibo 81, Humacao 34, Aguadilla 48, and Arroyo 8. No report has been received from Fajardo.

The increase in the number of deaths at Mayaguez is due to the epidemic of enteric fever prevailing in that city.

In San Juan there were 11 new cases of smallpox reported during

the month of March, 1904, and this number together with the 5 old cases on hand at the beginning of the month makes a total of 16, of which 9 recovered and were discharged, and 7 remained on hand on April 1, 1904.

Vital statistics of the city of San Juan for the month of March, 1904.

Stillborn.....	9	Pneumonia	3
Softening of the brain	1	Tetanus	2
Gastro-enteritis	6	Infection, puerperal	1
Hemorrhage of the brain	1	Valvular disease of heart.....	3
Broncho-pneumonia	6	Arterial sclerosis	1
Cirrhosis of liver	2	Fracture of skull	1
Syncope from chloroform	1	Gangrene	1
Septicemia	2	Diphtheria.....	1
Athrepsia.....	4	Cystitis	1
Enteritis.....	4	Congestion of brain.....	1
Anemia	1	Uræmia	1
Internal hemorrhage	2	Encephalitis	1
Meningitis	2	Hypertrophy of heart	1
Chronic hepatitis	1	Fatty degeneration of heart	2
Aneurism of heart, aortic	2	Urinary fever.....	1
Tuberculosis, pulmonary.....	17	Leprosy	1
Tuberculosis, intestinal	2	Progressive paralysis	1
Peritonitis	1	Typhilitis	1
Tape worm	1		
Bright's disease	1		100
Diarrhea, infantile.....	1	March, 1904:	
Entero-colitis	2	Deaths	102
Old age	1	Births	160
Endocarditis	1	March, 1903:	
Hepatitis	1	Deaths	95
Bronchitis	4	Births	71

SPAIN.

Report from Madrid—Malignant typhus.

Vice-Consul Danziger reports, April 5, as follows:

I have consulted a number of medical men on the question of the epidemic existing in Madrid. Their opinions were so contradictory that I deemed it best to investigate the matter, and I find that the deaths that have already occurred and the new cases that are brought to the separate hospital set aside by the local government for that purpose are malignant typhus.

I deem it my duty to warn the Department, and have advised the consul-general at Barcelona to take proper measures with people coming from Madrid.

TURKEY.

Return of the pilgrimage of 1904.

Pilgrim vessels arrived at Tor.

[Translated in this Bureau from the Bulletin Quarantenaire, Alexandria, March 31, 1904.]

March 25.—Eleni: 747 Russian pilgrims on ship's bill; 4 deaths during the voyage.

March 29.—Galioubieh: 71 Egyptian pilgrims on bill and 97 according to declaration of captain. *St. George:* 821 pilgrims of mixed nationalities; 1 death during voyage.